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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of the Office Action dated May 17, 2006 ("Office Action") and responds as follows.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.